Our Next Meeting
Tuesday, August 1, 7:00 pm

The August NPSOT meeting will consist of 2 interesting presentations.

- The first part is a video presentation of “Gardening for Butterflies & Other Beneficial Insects” from the “Growing A Greener World®” series.
- Then, member Melanie Schuchart will talk about the iNaturalist website. This is a great tool to help ID plants and help the great Collin County Community learn more about the plants in our area.

The meeting will be held in Laughlin Hall at the Heard Museum. Doors open before 7:00. The program starts at 7:15.

September 5:
The September meeting will be our annual Show and Tell. This is a slide show containing plant and garden photographs taken by members: from our yard or neighborhood, from nature hikes, from conventions or other travels, and from vacations.

Send your pictures via email to John Worley at the address from the newsletter email or to worljm@yahoo.com. Or, you can bring them to the meetings. I will have my laptop and we will figure out how to download them from your device.

Heard Workday – July 22

Six (or so – I can be forgetful at times) NPSOT members showed up on the 4th Saturday morning to work in the front gardens. A lot of good work was accomplished; we had a good time; and we still went home before it got too hot.

Plan to come in August.

Photo by William Woodfin
Upcoming Events

The Nature of Oak Point Park Guided Walk
Location: Oak Point Park and Nature Preserve in Plano
Date/Time:
  08-09-2017, 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM, or
  08-16-2017, 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM
Carol Clark leads these enjoyable and informative walks through the fields of wildflowers of Oak Point Park in Plano.

Historic Uses of North Texas Plants
On August 12th at 9 am, there is a special program at Oak Point Park called *Historic Uses of North Texas Plants--Part One*. Carol Clark will present a PowerPoint program followed by a walk. (Of course, participants can choose to skip the walk and stay in the air conditioning!)

*Historic Uses of North Texas Plants--Part Two* is scheduled for Oak Point on October 28th at 9 am.

Family Night Hike
Location: Oak Point Park and Nature Preserve in Plano
Date/Time: 8/19/2017, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Take an enjoyable guided evening walk through the woods led by Texas Master Naturalist Mike Roome. Come identify native plants and wildlife habitats while learning about why it is important to protect our environment. Don’t forget your flashlight! This is a free event.

Newcomer’s Guide to Gardening in North Texas
See the flyer at the right. Sign up at:
http://www.mckinneytexas.org/164/Education-Public-Outreach
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Our Annual Pot Luck Supper

Our annual Pot Luck Supper is scheduled for **Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 5pm** at Fran and William Woodfin’s home, located at **4696 County RD #412, Mc Kinney, TX 75071**.

We’ll still be in Daylight Savings Time, so we can poke around a while before we plan on eating around 6pm. Bring a food dish, snack, dessert, or drinks and come on out!

The Woodfin’s live northeast of McKinney. (The star below is US380 and SH5.) If you came to the Stiff Creek Nature Walk in May, you visited their home.

Collin County NPSOT General information

The Collin County chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas meets the first Tuesday of January through October, in Laughlin Hall at the Heard museum. Unless otherwise noted, doors open before 7:00pm and the program starts at 7:15pm.

The Native Plant Society of Texas is a non-profit organization with the goal to promote the conservation, research, and utilization of the native plants and plant habitats of Texas, through education, research, and example.

Thanks for your support.

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